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Bell, et al.

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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION DATED OCTOBER 27, 1997

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

This paper is submitted in response to the Office Action dated October 27, 1997 for which the three-month date for response was January 27, 1998.

A request for a two-month extension of time to respond is included herewith along with the required fee. This two-month extension will bring the due date to March 27, 1998, which is within the six-month statutory period. Should such request or fee be deficient or absent, consider